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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: : Ramon Navarro

Application No. : 10/613,329

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For : CLAMPING ARTICLE AND METHOD

Examiner : Robert C. Watson

Art Unit : 3723

Confirmation No. : 5055

Docket No.: : MAEST-63843

Customer No. : 24201

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed March 14, 2005, please amend the above identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Presented below is a complete set of claims with current status indicators. Claim 1-3, 5-9 and 12 have been cancelled, and claims 4, 10-11, and 13-14 have been amended. Please cancel claims 1-3, 5-9 and 12, and enter the amended claims 4, 10-11, and 13-14.